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Title: **PAD MATERIAL RETENTION SYSTEM FOR BACKING PLATES**

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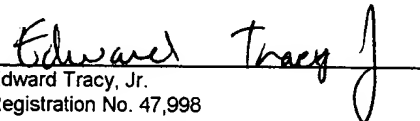
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This correspondence is a response to the Restriction Requirement contained in the Office Action dated January 22, 2003.

Remarks

Claims 1-21 were pending and the Office Action required restriction between the following groups of claims:

- I. Claims 1-7, 15-17, and 18-21, drawn to an apparatus for attaching a friction pad to a backing plate.
- II. Claims 8-14, drawn to a method of making a backing plate.